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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

TETSUYA YANO ET AL.

Application No.: 09/430,029

Filed: October 29, 1999

For: DNA FRAGMENT CARRYING
TOLUENE MONOOXYGENASE
GENE, RECOMBINANT
PLASMID, TRANSFORMED
MICROORGANISM, METHOD
FOR DEGRADING
CHLORINATED ALIPHATIC
HYDROCARBON COMPOUNDS
AND AROMATIC COMPOUNDS,
AND METHOD FOR
ENVIRONMENTAL
REMEDIALATION

Examiner: E. Slobodyansky

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